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Re:

STB Finance Docket No. 34421, HolRail LLC - Construction and Operation Orangeburg and Dorchester Counties, South Carolina

Request for Comments on Potential Environmental Impacts

Dear Mr. Frank:

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control has received the request for comments regarding HolRail's construction and operation of a rail line in Orangeburg and Dorchester Counties. The Department thanks you for the opportunity to comment on this project.

The Department believes this rail project will have no significant impacts on air quality resources in Orangeburg and Dorchester Counties. The Department reminds you that all necessary environmental permits for the project must be obtained in accordance with applicable State and Federal regulations. If you have not already done so, please contact the Department's Bureau of Water and the Bureau of Land and Waste Management for input regarding those program areas' assessments of this proposed project.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project, and we look forward to receiving your environmental assessment document. Should you have any further questions or comments concerning this matter, please contact Chad Wilbanks at (803) 898-7099. Sincerely,

Henry Phillips, Manager

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